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**BREAKDOWN OF THE INCIDENCE OF CONFIRMED RABIES IN
LABORATORY EXAMS**

April 2005

| <u>Positive Animal</u> | <u>County</u> |
|------------------------|---|
| Skunk | Phelps (1) |
| Bat | Buchanan (1), Jackson (1), St. Louis City (1), St. Louis County (1) |

Total Rabies Cases to Date: 12

Total Rabies Cases to Date-Last Year: 3

Negative Animal Heads Examined This Month: 165*

Positive Animal Heads Examined This Month: 5

Percent Positive This Month: 2.94%

Total Animal Heads Examined to Date This Year: 620*

| Cumulative Exams and Positive Results - Year To Date | | | | | | Total Rabies By Year |
|--|--------|-----------|---|------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Species | #Exams | #Positive | Species | # Exams | #Positive | |
| Dog: | 191 | 0 | Rodent/Rabbit | 34 | 0 | 2004: 59 |
| Cat: | 153 | 0 | Other Domestic | 3 | 0 | 2003: 43 |
| Bat: | 130 | 4 | Other Wild | 11 | 0 | 2002: 45 |
| Skunk: | 21 | 8 | Exotic | 1 | 0 | 2001: 40 |
| Fox: | 5 | 0 | Unknown | 0 | 0 | 2000: 50 |
| Cow | 12 | 0 | Total | 620 | 12 | 1999: 31 |
| Horse | 4 | 0 | Counties On Alert: Howell | | | 1998: 42 |
| Ferret | 0 | 0 | Counties are placed on alert when there is a positive result on a domestic animal or when threshold levels for wild animals have been exceeded. | | | 1997: 31 |
| Raccoon | 55 | 0 | | | | 1996: 26 |
| | | | | | | 1995: 30 |
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*Includes unsatisfactory specimens.

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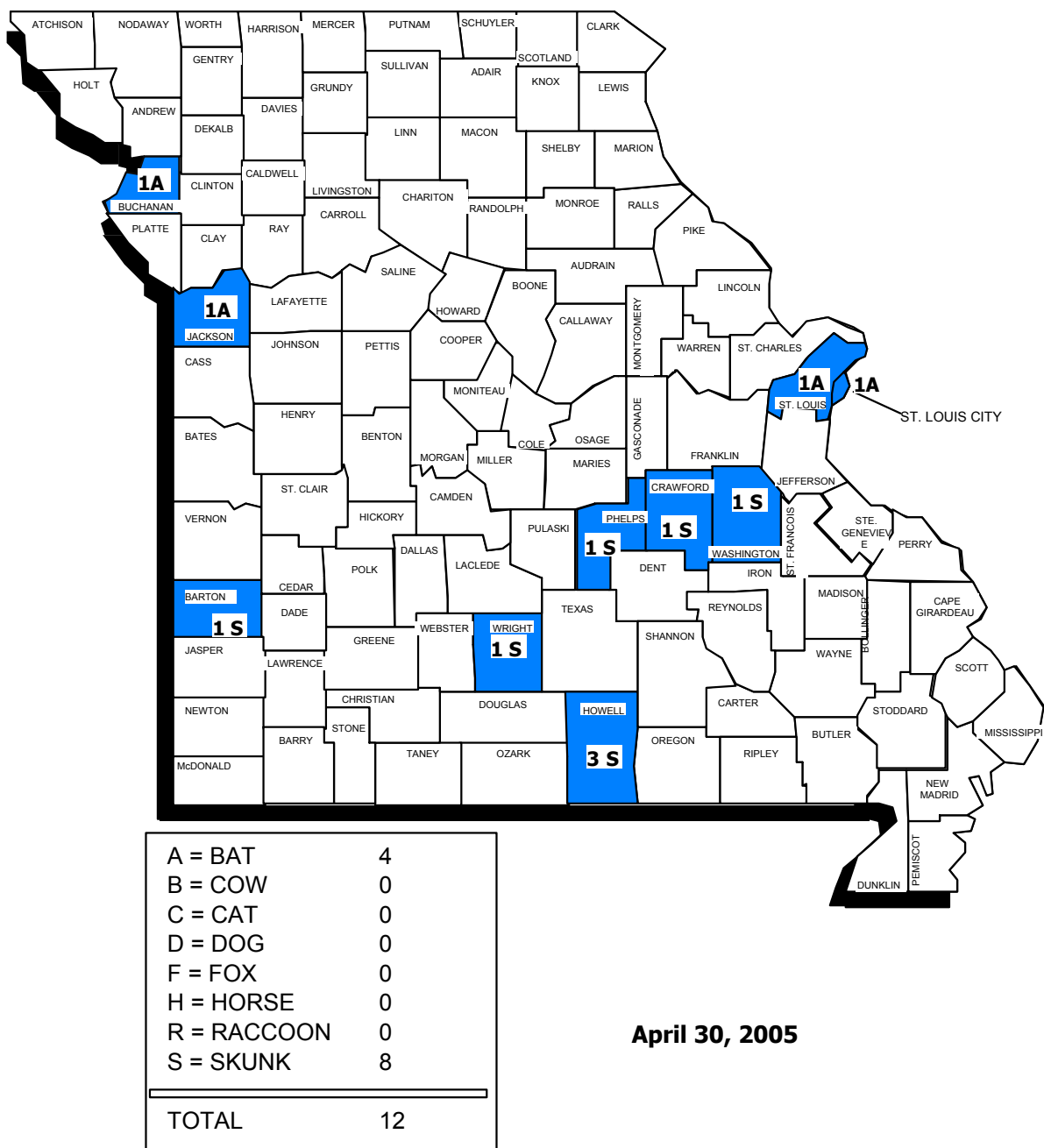
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Confirmed Animal Rabies in Missouri

2005



April 30, 2005

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